



228 **IN THE HIGH COURT OF PUNJAB & HARYANA
AT CHANDIGARH**

**CRM-M-46610-2025
Date of decision: 17.11.2025**

BANSI LAL

....Petitioner

Versus

STATE OF HARYANA

...Respondent

CORAM: HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE YASHVIR SINGH RATHOR

Present : Mr. Naresh Kumar Ganga, Advocate
for the petitioner.

Ms. Vasundhara Dalal Anand, Sr. DAG, Haryana.

YASHVIR SINGH RATHOR. J.(Oral)

1. This is first petition under Section 483 of BNSS, 2023 for grant of regular bail to the petitioner in case FIR No.49 dated 21.03.2025, registered under Sections 318(4), 336(3), 338, 340 and 61 of BNS, 2023 and Sections 61(1)(c), 72-A and 63-A of The Punjab Excise Act, 1914 (Haryana Amendment Bill, 2020) at Police Station Nathu Sarai Chopta, District Sirsa, Haryana.

2. Learned counsel for the petitioner as well as learned State counsel have been heard and material collected by the police during investigation has been perused.

3. The present case was registered on the basis of statement given to the police by Surender Kataria, Excise Inspector, with the allegations that upon receiving some information, he reached Shakkar Mandori road, Rupana Bishnoiyan where police officials met him and a joint raid was conducted at the



premises of Anoop, son of Krishan Kumar and five persons namely Bansi Lal (petitioner), Anoop, Vikas, Arun and Ram Shankar were found loading liquor in vehicles and 286 cartons of liquor Imperial Blue, 194 cartons of Royal Stag, 86 cartons of Royal Challenge, 49 cartons of McDowell's, 49 cartons of All Seasons whiskey, 98 cartons each containing 48 pints make Royal Challenge, 99 cartons each containing 48 pints of All Seasons, 404 cartons each containing 24 cans of beer Tuborg, 49 cartons each containing 24 cans of beer thunderbolt, 202 cartons each containing 24 cans of beer Kingfisher Ultra Max and 111 cartons each containing 24 cans of beer Bee Young were recovered and the samples were drawn. It was further reported by ASI Kuldeep Kumar, who was a member of raiding party, that at the time of raid, he received an information that Vishnu, Vikas, Bansi Lal (petitioner), Anoop, Sushil, Gopi Ram Dudi, Inder Jiyani and Yuvraj bring liquor from Punjab and store it in the 'Nohra' of Anoop and then they sell it in Gujarat. Petitioner Bansi Lal alongwith Anoop, Vikas and Ram Shankar were arrested and disclosed that Sushil, Vishnu, Gopi Ram Dudi, Inder Jiyani and Yuvraj bring various brands of English liquor and beer from Punjab, which are loaded into their vehicles and supplied to Gujarat. After completion of investigation, challan has been presented against the accused for trial.

4. Learned counsel for the petitioner contended that petitioner has been falsely implicated in the present case. Petitioner is in custody since 21.03.2025. Challan has already been presented after completion of investigation. All the offences are Magisterial trial. The trial is certainly going to take sufficiently long time to conclude and no useful purpose will be served by detaining the petitioner in custody anymore and he may be released on bail.



5. On the other hand, learned State counsel has opposed the bail and argued that in view of the gravity of offence, he does not deserve the benefit of bail.
6. Admittedly, petitioner is in custody since 21.03.2025. All the offences are Magisterial trial. Challan has already been presented after completion of investigation. The trial is certainly going to take sufficiently long time to conclude and no useful purpose will be served by detaining the petitioner in custody anymore and he deserves to be released on bail.
7. In view of the above, without commenting on the merits of the case, the present petition is allowed and the petitioner is ordered to be released on regular bail on his furnishing bail bond and surety bond to the satisfaction of learned Trial Court/Duty Magistrate concerned.
8. Pending misc. application(s), if any, shall also stand disposed of.

17.11.2025
Priyanka Thakur

(YASHVIR SINGH RATHOR)
JUDGE

Whether speaking/reasoned. : Yes/No
Whether Reportable. : Yes/No